

Please cancel claim 2.

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

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3. (Amended) The vital matter prepared according to claim 1, further comprising potassium 19.06-23.29 wt%, calcium 14.21-17.36 wt%, sodium 12.30-14.97 wt%, magnesium 11.98-14.64 wt%, silicon 13.74-16.80 wt%, aluminum 12.21-15.13 wt%, iron 3.48-4.26 wt%, titanium 0.95-1.17 wt%, manganese 0.28-0.40 wt%, zinc 0.17-0.20 wt%, germanium 0.07-0.09 wt%, selenium 0.03-0.04 wt% and other elements 1.36-1.67 wt%.

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~~Please amend claim 4 as follows:~~

4. (Amended) The vital matter according to claim 1, further comprising a synthetic resin in the form of a minute powder ranging from 200-350 mesh.

~~Please add new claim 5:~~

- 5. (New) A method of preparing vital matter comprising the steps: 1) preparing a composition containing kaoline (white soil) 30.0-40.0 wt%, potassium sulfate 15.0-20.0 wt%, sodium sulfate 13.0-17.0 wt%, feldspar 12.0-16.0 wt%, talc 12.0-16.0 % and ferric oxide 0.5-1.5 wt%; 2) mixing the above-mentioned composition using a compressed molding method; and 3) heating the mixed composition at 1000-1300°C. --.

Please add new claim 6:

- 6. (New) A method of preparing vital matter according to claim 5, wherein said heating is carried out for a time period of 2 to 3 hours. --.

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is being submitted to insert a claim of priority based on a foreign application into the specification.

This amendment is also being submitted to correct minor typographical errors in the claims and conform the claim language to U.S. standards. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been entered and that the present application is in all respects complete and in condition for favorable consideration.